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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

After careful review, Applicant hereby responds to a March 15, 2004 Final Rejection regarding the above-referenced patent application. In view of this Response, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of said application.

Applicant has not added new matter with this Response, and intends the scope of the invention and previously pending claims to be the same before and after this Response. Indeed, Applicant only offers this Response to clarify the invention for the Examiner, and to assist the Examiner's understanding of the same. More specifically, Applicant has not intended this Response to effectuate a narrowing of the claims, foreclose techniques that are not reasonably foreseeable at this time, or effect the applicability and scope of the Doctrine of Equivalents.